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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- \boxtimes The Applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached European Search Report listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR § 1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending applications or issued patents which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR § 1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that

- Ø each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- no item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

PETITION

Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(i)(1).

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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